

Attorney Docket No. 24826

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

DIETRICH, et al.

Serial No.: 09/980492

Art Unit: 1615

Filed: December 4, 2001

Examiner: SHEIKH, H.

For: NOVEL PREPARATION AND ADMINISTRATION FORM COMPRISING AN
ACID-LABILE ACTIVE COMPOUND

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR § 1.136

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 CFR §§ 1.17, 1.136, Applicant(s) hereby
petition(s) for an extension of time as follows:

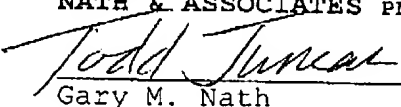
XX One-month extension of time to respond to the Office Action
dated December 16, 2003 (\$110.00 fee).

XX A check for the above-indicated amount is enclosed (\$110.00).

If extensions of time under 37 CFR § 1.136 other than those
provided herewith are required to allow consideration of papers
accompanying this Petition, then such extensions of time are hereby
petitioned. The Commissioner is specifically authorized to charge
any fee deficiency under 37 CFR §§ 1.16 or 1.17, or credit any
overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 14-0112.

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